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TITLE: EXERCISE MACHINE COMPRISING TWO HAND GRIPS WHICH ARE PROVIDED WITH A DAMPING DEVICE

## Amendment A: CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Previously presented) An exercise machine comprising:

a base;

a machine frame mounted on said base; and

at least one hand grip pivoted to said machine frame;

wherein said hand grip is fastened at a bottom end to a damping device whereby said damping device is fastened to said machine frame or base for providing said hand grip with a damping effect and a recovery force.

- (Previously presented) The exercise machine as defined in claim 1, wherein said damping device is comprised of two tension elements.
- (Original) The exercise machine as defined in claim 2, wherein said two tension elements are two endless rubber belts.

Claims 4-11 (Canceled). These claims are canceled by the present amendment.